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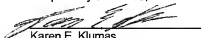
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	1 1 121 925	08/08/01	Europe			
	2 0 100 164	02/08/94	Europe			
	3 0 956 850	11/17/99	Europe			

OTHER DOCUMENTS

	4	PCT International Search Report in a PCT application PCT/EP2004/012754
	5	Derwent Abstract of EP 1 121 925 - published August 8, 2001

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